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UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF THE NORTH OFFICIALLY OPENS OSCAR LATHLIN RESEARCH LIBRARY

With much pomp and ceremony University College of the North (UCN) cut the ribbon on the new research library. Named for the late Oscar Lathlin, former The Pas, MLA, the list of speakers spoke of happy memories of the library's namesake. Former legislative colleague, the Honourable Steve Ashton, Minister of Manitoba Infrastructure and Training, spoke of Mr. Lathlin's commitment to education and his love of the North. Those comments were also echoed by Mr. Edwin Jebb, the Chancellor of UCN and brother-in-law to Mr. Lathlin.

Announced by the province in 2009, the \$15 Million expansion and rejuvenation began with the construction of 24-three and four bedroom family residences. At the same time the new library was being built a new 76-unit childcare centre was also constructed with all three facilities celebrating their grand opening today.

UCN President and Vice-Chancellor, Konrad Jonasson, spoke about the on-going commitment to new and existing students and the opportunities that are now available. "These facilities are a bricks and mortar representation of how we are trying to better serve our students-by breaking down the barriers related to housing and child care availability. The establishment of a research library will ensure that our academic programming is supported".

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